

RAIL PEACE PLANS DRAW UP

MINERS' CHIEF THINKS PARLEY NEARLY CERTAIN

Lewis Says Powerful Influences Are Working for Strike Settlement.

LEADERS ARE HOPEFUL

Declare That Call for Interstate Conference May Be Issued Any Day.

PHILADELPHIA, July 27.—Powerful influences, governmental and otherwise, are understood to be at work to arrange an interstate joint wage conference and thereby bring to an end the soft coal strike. John L. Lewis, head of the United States Mine Workers, would not indicate Thursday where and how these influences are being exerted, but he let it be known in a public statement that he had "every reason to believe that a joint interstate conference of the central competitive fields will be arranged within a few days."

Mr. Lewis expressed this belief after two days of conferring with the district presidents of the union from Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana. This territory and Illinois comprise the central competitive fields. Illinois was not represented at the meetings.

May Issue Call at Once.

It was made known by union leaders that as soon as they have assurance that sufficient tonnage will be represented at an interstate conference to make a basic scale wage possible, a call for the meeting will be issued at once. Such a call, it was said, may come any day. What percentage of the total tonnage of the central competitive fields would have to be represented to make possible a basic wage agreement could not be learned. It was said it would depend upon the conditions consenting to enter an interstate meeting.

Union leaders here Thursday appeared to be optimistic. Lee Hall, president of the Ohio miners, said the operators of Ohio were willing to enter an interstate conference. Others said they felt such a conference would soon be held and predicted that operators who refused to enter the meeting would fall in line when they found their business going to companies that had resumed the mining of coal.

Claims Miners' Victory.

If a conference is called soon, it was said among the union leaders, that the operators would go into the meeting with a fact understanding that they would not demand a reduction in the wage scale that it is understood they want.

In this connection, the statement of Pres't Lewis said that "it is undoubtedly true that to all purposes and effects the mine workers have won their present strike and it is

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WHEAT GROWERS ASK FEDERAL AID

Kansas Association Applies for Advance Not to Exceed \$2,500,000.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Application of the Kansas Wheat Growers' association for an advance of not to exceed \$2,500,000 to assist in financing the orderly marketing of wheat during the coming season was announced Thursday by the war finance corporation.

The corporation also announced that representatives of the Washington, Idaho, Montana and North Dakota wheat growers' associations would appear before it August 9 in connection with pending applications from those organizations as follows: Washington Wheat Growers' association \$2,000,000; Idaho Wheat Growers' association \$1,000,000; Montana Wheat Growers' association \$2,000,000.

North Dakota Wheat Growers' association from \$2,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO MINES SEEK PARLEY

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 27.—Representatives of 17 coal mines in Western Pennsylvania and Ohio today offered to enter into any kind of a conference with the United Mine Workers that will bring the strike to a close.

These mines employ 7,200 men and control a daily production of 33,000 tons.

P. F. Hanaway, acting president of district No. 5, declared he forwarded the offer to Pres't John L. Lewis, who has received similar offers from Ohio and Pittsburgh operator groups.

Hanaway also announced that the Monroe No. 4 mine in Washington county again failed to resume operations today despite protection of national guardsmen, asked for last night.

YOUTH KILLS HIMSELF.

WINCHESTER, Ind., July 27.—Herman Harmon, 18, of Saratoga, committed suicide at his home Thursday by shooting himself. The motive for the act is not known.

Thousands See Funeral Of Girl Slain By Sister

NEW YORK, July 27.—Bertha Katsa, the girl whom her sister, Mrs. John J. Reiser says she killed for stealing the love of her husband, "John the Barber," sport promoter, was buried Thursday while thousands packed the streets near her home.

"John the Barber" rode in the second coach. With him were two of his sisters. As the coach started a woman on the sidewalk said something insulting. One of the sisters leaned out, grabbed a man's hat and hurled it at the woman as the other sister spat at her brother's annoyances. As the small procession passed through the lanes of people, women on the sidewalks set up monotonous lamentations.

Dist. Atty. Ruston said he would present the case to the grand jury on the theory that all four held—Mrs. Reiser, her sons, Morris and George, and her brother, Max—were equally guilty.

RECIPROCAL RIGHT TO SEARCH SHIPS PROPOSED BY U. S.

Seeks Agreement with Britain to Examine Vessels Outside 3-Mile Limit.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—A reciprocal agreement under which both the United States and Great Britain would be permitted to search one another's merchant ships in certain zones outside the three mile limit, forms the basis for the plan which has been suggested to the British government by Sec'y Hughes to prevent rum runners from approaching American shores.

An outlined Thursday in authoritative quarters here the recent American note to London brought forward this proposal in a wholly tentative manner, without claiming any right to hold up British shipping beyond the three mile limit unless a similar privilege as regards American shipping was granted to British officials. The secretary's communication was said to treat the reciprocal search plan as a standing offer, subject to the condition that it be desirable as a reciprocal arrangement because of the difficulties of enforcing the prohibition law of the United States.

In order to make the agreement fully reciprocal it was said, the right to search in the proposed zones along the American and British coasts would be unconditional. Under the plan any suspected foreign vessel could be stopped and examined within the extrajurisdictional zone for liquor or other evidences of illegal purposes, while the same broad privilege would apply to American vessels in the British zone regardless of what might be the cause of suspicion.

London dispatches indicating that the proposal had not met with a favorable reception among British officials apparently caused no surprise here, the state department having anticipated that its suggestion might be interpreted as an infringement on the well-established principles of freedom of the seas.

VETERAN DRUGGIST DIES.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 27.—Herman E. Frauer, 80, one of Indianapolis' first retail druggists, died at his home here Thursday, from an illness which he contracted in New York 10 days ago, while preparing to sail for Germany. Mr. Frauer was well known throughout Indiana. He was a veteran of the Civil war.

MANIAC SLAYER IS FINALLY CAPTURED

Police, Using Guns and Tear Gas Bombs, End 13-Day Siege on House.

HINTON, Va., July 27.—(By U. P.)—John Fredeking, maniac and slayer of one, was captured on the thirteenth day of successful resistance against county authorities and state police.

A detachment of fifty state police, armed with guns and tear gas bombs today stormed the maniac's stronghold and ended his crazed vigil. Fredeking, weak from loss of blood and starvation, was lying on the floor re-loading his revolver when the police swept in upon him. He offered feeble resistance, but did not fire.

Amazed at the tireless energy of Fredeking who in addition to killing a deputy sheriff had wounded four others including his father, authorities abandoned efforts to starve him into submission. They rushed the front door of the house and found him with a volley of shots.

The house was riddled with bullets.

CHILD DROWNS IN TANK.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., July 27.—Gerald Francis Keller, 2, was drowned in a tank of water in the barnyard at his home at Veversburg, near here Thursday. He was pulled out of the tank by his sister Mildred, 1, with whom he had been playing. An effort at resuscitation failed.

GOVERNOR SEES POSSIBILITY OF ENDING STRIKE

McCray Believes Indiana Operators Will Enter Interstate Conference.

MEETS MINE OFFICIALS

Scale Committee Will Decide Today Attitude Toward Proposed Parley.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 27.—Possibility of a settlement of the coal strike, through an interstate conference of miners and operators, was indicated by Gov. Warren McCray Thursday in a statement issued after a conference with representatives of the Indiana operators.

Members of the scale committee of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators association will meet in conference with the governor Friday to make a decision concerning participation of the Indiana operators in a four state conference composed of representatives of miners and operators from the central competitive fields.

The governor said he was led to believe that Indiana operators will agree to participate in the proposed settlement of the strike. The determined attitude of Indiana operators against the interstate conference, prior to Thursday has been one of the stumbling blocks in the way of peace in the strike situation.

Issued After Conference

The statement of Gov. McCray was issued after a conference with M. L. Gould, president of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators association and E. D. Lodgson, vice president. At the time the statement was given out, Phil Penna, secretary of the Indiana operators, and A. M. Ogilvie, president of the National Coal association, issued statements declaring that participation of Indiana operators in an interstate conference was impossible.

The apparent conflict in opinions of the Indiana operators resulted in a report among persons close to the situation that there may be division among the ranks of the operators. It was pointed out, however, that Gov. McCray had issued his statement after conferences with the president and vice president of the Indiana association, who are said to be followed by operators controlling a majority of the tonnage of the state.

Gov. McCray's telegram to John Hessler, president of district No. 11, United Mine Workers, who is in Philadelphia in conference with union leaders, expressed the opinion that representatives of Indiana's tonnage should attend the proposed interstate conference. The message of the governor was in reply to an inquiry from Mr. Hessler, concerning the attitude of Indiana operators toward the interstate conference.

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IRISH INSURGENTS PREPARE TO FIGHT

De Valera Reported to Be in Command of Large Group of Irregulars.

DUBLIN, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Large forces of republican irregulars are concentrating in the region of Barnoy and Waterford, indicating that preparations are underway to give battle to the Free State troops. Eamon De Valera is reported to be in command of the rebels. The railways were torn up hindering the approach of Free State reinforcements.

The advance of the Free State troops into the south and west counties, but the real situation is obscured by the censorship. It is reported that the resignation of George Gavan Duffy, as foreign minister, was due to the censorship.

THREE ARE BURNED TO DEATH IN EXPLOSION

SISTERSVILLE, Va., July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Three persons were burned to death in a gasoline explosion at Atwood, Va., last night, according to meagre details reaching here today.

The dead are Raymond McHenry, of Atwood, John Black, 14, and a boy of McIntosh's. According to reports received here McHenry was fumigating a chicken house using a spraying machine and gasoline. A nearby bonfire is believed to have ignited the gasoline fumes.

94 PER CENT OF LAKE SEAMEN FAVOR STRIKE

CHICAGO, July 27.—Ninety-four percent of the membership of the seamen union of the Great Lakes has voted in favor of authorizing the executive committee to call a strike on the ships of the Lake Carriers association, K. B. Nolan, general secretary, announced Thursday night. The association is composed almost entirely of iron ore, coal and grain freight ships and does not include passenger boats of the Great Lakes. About 4,000 sailors are included in the union.

THE WEATHER.

Indiana and Lower Michigan: Generally fair Friday and Saturday; not much change in temperature.

Confer With Pres't Harding



Bert M. Jewell (left), rail union leader, who headed a group of labor leaders which drew up tentative proposals for ending the strike, after conferences with the president, and J. DeWitt Cuyler (right), head of the executives, who announced, after meeting with Harding, a meeting of the executives next Tuesday to consider a settlement.

CRISIS IN GERMANY WILL BE AVERTED, OFFICIALS BELIEVE

Bavaria Warned Not to Secede—Italy Also Having Internal Troubles.

BERLIN, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Government officials expressed the opinion today that the Bavarian crisis, which has been threatening Germany with civil war and a break-up of the confederation of states, will be averted. It was expected that the government warning to Bavaria against secession would be followed by a statement from Pres't Hindenburg, appealing to the Bavarians to keep the peace.

There was a strong current of opinion that the Reichstag would be summoned to deal with the situation. In the meantime, the political tension could be allayed best if the negotiations were conducted quietly between Berlin and Munich.

Independent socialists are hostile against the Bavarians, claiming that the southern monarchists are only awaiting an opportunity to attempt to overthrow the central government.

ITALIAN SITUATION TENSE.

ROME, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Efforts of Deputy Meda to form a new cabinet in succession to the Facta ministry ended in failure today. In the meantime, the political situation grows more tense with rumors of a possible military dictatorship. It was expected that King Victor Emmanuel would invite Signor Donavanti to attempt the formation of a cabinet, and the extent of his failure would call upon Signor Orlando or Signor Denicola.

Twelve persons were reported to have been killed in fighting between fascists and socialists which has been raging at Ravenna for 24 hours. Many others were wounded. Both sides have armed and are prepared for a spread of the conflict.

SAILOR ENGRAVES WILL ON IDENTIFICATION DISC

LONDON, July 27.—(By Mail.)—Strange as the story of any document told in fiction is that of a will which has just been admitted to probate and is now filed in Somerset House.

It is the "last will and testament" of a sailor, William Skinner, who lost his life when his ship, the Indefatigable, was sunk in the battle of Jutland. It is in the form of the ordinary identification disc. On one side, in the usual deeply-punched letters, appears the name, number, rating and religion of the man to whom it was issued. With a microscopically engraved word, "Will," on the other side the disc appears at first sight to be just a circular piece of smooth, polished brass. But when viewed at a certain angle, there can be seen about 75 minute engraved words. With a microscope they can be plainly read. They constitute Skinner's will by which he bequeaths everything to his wife. The disc had been recovered from the sea with Skinner's body and on being cleaned revealed its secret.

PROPOSE U. S. LAW FOR POLISH VETERANS

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(By U. P.)—Polish subjects living in the United States at the outbreak of the World War and who fought in the Polish army in France, would be readmitted to the United States under provision of a joint resolution introduced in the senate today by Senator McCormick, republican, of Illinois.

PHOTOGRAPHERS ELECT

CLEVELAND, O., July 27.—George Graham Holloway of Terre Haute, Ind., was elected president of the Ohio-Michigan-Indiana Photographers' association at the closing session of its annual convention here. Others elected were J. H. Brubaker, Grand Rapids, vice president for Michigan; J. Anthony Bill, Cincinnati, vice president for Ohio; Merl Smith, Hartford City, Ind., secretary and J. Frederick Rentschler, Ann Arbor, Mich., treasurer.

G. O. P. ATTACK ON WOOL RATES IS CONTINUED

Committee Recommendations Are Adopted Despite Protest of Minority.

SMOOT DEFENDS DUTIES

Answers Criticisms Made by Lenroot, Nelson and Other Senators.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Continuation of republican opposition to rates in the wool schedule; a democratic proposal for "scientific" tariff as a substitute for the pending bill, and the virtual rewriting of the silk schedule by the finance committee majority, were outstanding developments Thursday in the tariff situation in the senate.

Sen. Lenroot of Wisconsin, and Sen. Nelson of Minnesota, voiced the protests of a small group on the majority side against the wool rates, but on roll calls, the committee recommendations were approved by overwhelming majorities.

Sen. Lenroot told the senate he realized the "utter futility of undertaking to bring about changes in the protective duties proposed."

"It could not be done, no matter what facts were shown to the senate," he declared. "The votes are here to put the rates through just as the committee reported them."

"Works Out at 100 Percent."

Sen. Nelson characterized the committee rate of 40 cents a pound and 50 percent ad valorem on woolen cloth weighing not more than four ounces to the square yard as an outrage. He said it worked out at 100 percent ad valorem.

"If that's the kind of tariff you want to inflict upon the American people we want to know it," he shouted. "I never heard of a more unreasonable duty in the history of the tariff."

Sen. Nelson said he had voted for a duty of 100 percent on cloth of our have to wear in the winter time.

Sen. Smoot of Utah, in charge of the schedule for the finance committee, said that these were very fine cloths; that the 40 cents a pound rate was necessary to compensate the manufacturers for the 33 cents a pound on the wool to the content of wool and that the protective rate had been based upon the difference in costs of production in this country and abroad.

Making a similar explanation of the rate, Chairman McCumber asserted that it could be shown that the protective duty was too high, the committee and the senate would change it. So far as the compensation rate was concerned, he said, all would have to admit that the manufacturer was entitled to it since he had to pay it on his

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CAR LINES REJECT UNION'S PROPOSAL

"Looks Like a Strike," Head of Chicago Surface Lines Announces.

CHICAGO, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Rejection of the union proposition of arbitration in the threatened street car strike was decided upon today at a meeting of the board of control of the Chicago surface lines. The strike had been set, it was reported, for next Tuesday.

"It looks like a strike," Henry A. Blair, head of the surface lines, announced.

Blair explained the company's viewpoint as follows:

"We are willing to submit all differences to arbitration, but that means that everything must go in wages, fares, working conditions and hours. The union's propositions were untenable because they did not take cognizance of all the complications in the situation, concerning wages alone, and that on a basis of a 65-cent an hour minimum wage."

RUSSIAN IS FINED AS "PRO" HUSBAND

LONDON, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Arthur Lazarus, a Russian, is probably the first man who ever took up marriage as a profession.

Lazarus was fined for bigamy in a London police court after it was shown that he had married a succession of women. He was charged with bigamy after he had married a woman named Lazarus. Fee was \$100 a marriage.

YARDMASTER INJURED.

TERRE HAUTE, July 27.—James E. Sullivan, general yardmaster for the Big Four at Terre Haute, was seriously injured Wednesday afternoon when a handcar on which he was riding with C. E. Griffith, local freight agent for the same road, upset. The car upset one mile west of Greensburg as a result of a broken wheel on the car.

DIES AT CEDAR LAKE.

HAMMOND, Ind., July 27.—Mrs. Florence Byron, who with her husband, founded the first hotel at the Cedar Lake resort, died at her home at the lake Thursday. She was 73 years old.

LABOR FAILS IN NEW OPPORTUNITY: BISHOP

LONDON, July 27.—(By I. N. S.)—Labor has failed to grasp its opportunity, arising out of post-war conditions, according to Bishop Gore.

The bishop declares that the failure of the labor party to seize upon its chance to require power is due to the dangerous incidence of revolutionaries and personal jealousies.

Girl Indicted As Guiding Hand Of 'Rum' Smugglers

Officials Capture Three Ships off New York, Laden with Contraband.

NEW YORK, July 27.—A romantic story of liquor smugglers loading their cargo in Bermuda under direction of a girl and making runs to the shores of Long Island sound, and of gun fights and seizures by federal agents has been revealed in the arraignment of Mrs. Edith Stevens, 19 years old, in Brooklyn, on an indictment charging conspiracy to smuggle liquor into New York from Bermuda.

She was indicted as an accomplice of Antonio Casazza, wealthy tobacco merchant, who fled when a second indictment charging a plot to smuggle huge quantities of liquor into the U. S. was placed against him.

At the trial of Capt. Charles Oman, of the Edith, he testified that a woman directed the loading of the cargo in Bermuda and accompanied the cargo to New York. He said that Casazza also was aboard. Neither was on the yacht when it was seized. Oman was sent to Atlanta for a year.

Sen. Stevens admitted being on board the Edith and making a trip on the yacht from Bermuda.

Early Thursday morning a coast-guard, walking along the sandy shore at Point O'Woods, off Long Island, saw the flare of a ship's rocket. He warned his station, and the surf boat went out to a bar where the sloop J. H. P. had rammed hard and fast. The coastguardsmen boarded her and found her low in the water with a cargo of liquor valued at \$84,000.

She was coming down the coast with no heavily laden that she could not make good steering way. So the revenue cutter Manhattan was summoned from New York and late Thursday reported by wireless that she was coming down the coast with the "J. H. P." and another rum runner in tow.

A second ship, the Marion Mosher, a sloop out of New York, has been picked up by the "dry navy" chaser. She was coming down the coast with seas breaking over her. She was laden to the gunwales with liquor, in cases, boxes and bottles. The Hansen continued her cruise, looking for more contraband ships.

While these two runners were being chased off the coast, a third was being collected by harbor police inside Sandy Hook. The auxiliary sloop, K-10705, was escorted up the battery by the city police boat Manhattan, and her total liquor cases were counted by policemen Thursday night.

BIELASKI IS "GUEST"

AT AMERICAN EMBASSY

MEXICO CITY, July 27.—A. Bruce Bielaski and Mrs. Bielaski are "guests" of the United States embassy while awaiting the formal order of the court of Cuernavaca, which is expected to render a decision exonerating Mr. Bielaski, or directing his arrest on a charge of self abduction.

Bielski said Thursday he had not taken formal asylum in the embassy inasmuch as there was no order for his arrest issued by any court. In view of strong intimations that some sort of action was contemplated, it was deemed expedient "to remain over night as the guests" of George T. Summerlin, until the court made definite steps, he said.

DROWNS IN CISTERN

WINCHESTER, Ind., July 27.—Harold Glenwood, 15-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Wood, of Parker, near here, was drowned in a cistern at the Wood home Thursday.

LYONS APPOINTS G. O. P. COMMITTEE

Mrs. C. A. Carlisle, of South Bend, Is One of Ten Members Selected.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 27.—Lawrence Lyons, republican state chairman, announced Thursday the appointment of the executive committee which will assist in the management of the 1922 campaign. Mr. Lyons announced at the same time that Miss Etelka J. Rockenbach of New Albany, vice chairman of the state committee, would assume charge as director of the women's bureau, Monday.

The members of the executive committee named Thursday five of whom were men and five women are:

William Bobbs, Charles W. Miller, M. Burr Thurman, all of Indianapolis; Ora D. Davis, of Terre Haute, and John Owens, of Noblesville, Dr. Amelia Keller and Mrs. Joseph B. Keating, of Indianapolis; Mrs. C. A. Carlisle, of South Bend; Mrs. Dorothy Cunningham, Martineville, and Mrs. Ed J. Hancock, Greensburg.

INJURED BY SHOTGUN.

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., July 27.—Tommy Whelan, 16, is in a serious condition at a local hospital as the result of the accidental discharge of a shotgun by his companion, John Roach. The boys, both of Crawfordsville, were coning on the Wabash river, when the accident occurred.

UNION LEADERS OFFER PROPOSAL FOR AGREEMENT

Settlement Scheme Is Outlined After Conference with President.

EXECUTIVES TO GATHER

Chairman, After Talk with Harding, Announces Meeting for Tuesday.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—(By A. P.)—A meeting of executives of the 148 major railways of the United States will be called in New York next Tuesday to consider plans for settling the strike. T. DeWitt Cuyler, chairman of the Railway Executives association, announced Thursday night after a conference with Pres't Harding, Mr. Cuyler added, however, that "no definite basis" for strike settlement was ready to be placed before the meeting. His contention was that the president, he said, had been devoted to a general survey of the situation.

Tentative proposals for the settlement of the railroad shopmen's strike were drawn up Thursday after a series of conferences between Pres't Harding and labor leaders headed by B. M. Jewell of the shopmen's union.

The settlement proposals apparently had reference to the seniority issue, which, it was generally agreed, was the sole remaining bar to conclusion of the railroad war, or at least to an armistice in the struggle. Should the railroad executives accept the plans, it was said, a rehearing of issues which led to the strike would be held before the railroad board and all other questions left to adjudication through such a proceeding.

Withhold Comment.

Labor union officials, through B. M. Jewell, president of the Railway employees section of the American Federation of Labor, declared they could not comment upon the substance of the settlement proposals, president, except that every point in the strike controversy had been gone over. W. H. Johnson, president of the machinists; J. A. Franklin, president of the boiler-makers; M. F. Ryan, president of the electricians; and J. J. Jones, president of the stationary firemen and oilers; James Burns, vice-president of the sheet metal workers, and Edward Evans, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Electrical workers, were also present with Mr. Jewell at the president's last of which did not break up until nearly 6 o'clock.

In the president's hand, while the conferences proceeded, was a copy of proposals which representatives of the striking shopmen at the Baltimore and Ohio had received in a separate meeting with the management of that road, held in Baltimore this week. The document was delivered by Sen. Watson, Indiana, who has been active in meetings with the railroad officials concerned. It was considered possible that the B. & O. plan might have been used as a basis for the tentative suggestions developed in Thursday's meeting.

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DUNCAN SAYS:

"That's the first display of real newspaper enterprise I have seen in America."

He was speaking of The News-Times and had just seen the detailed account of 23 holes of the International Golf tourney. He read it on the 16th tee. It was real service with news and photographs.

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